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| 2 | FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS |
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| 5 | UNITED STATES) CR. NO. 04-10073-NG-1 |
| 6 | VS.) COURTROOM NO. 2 |
| 7 | ELIAS ABAD) 1 COURTHOUSE WAY |
| 8 | BOSTON, MA 02210 |
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| 11 | FINDINGS OF FACT AND SENTENCING |
| 12 | JANUARY 9, 2005 |
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| 18 | BEFORE THE HONORABLE NANCY GERTNER |
| 19 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE |
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| 24 | VALERIE A. O'HARA |
| 25 | OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER |

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THE COURT: Technically because of Mr. Abad's criminal history he is in a zone which requires some portion of the sentence to include home detention. I would depart downward, however, on the grounds that that criminal history overstates his culpability, and, in addition, home detention I'm told by probation is not feasible in a rooming house, which is essentially where he lives so that I'm going to sentence Mr. Abad to three years of probation, no fine.

While on probation he's not to commit another federal, state or local crime and shall not possess a controlled substance. He shall submit to a drug test within 15 days from his placement on probation not to exceed 104 tests per year. He shall submit to the collection of a DNA sample as directed by probation. He's obliged to comply with the standard conditions, and, in addition, he's prohibited from possessing a firearm. He's not to consume any alcoholic beverages. He is to continue to attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings as directed by probation.

He's to participate in a program for substance abuse as directed by probation and may be required to contribute based on his ability to pay. He's also to participate in a mental health program again as required by probation, and he is to contribute. He is to comply with any decisions made in his immigration case regarding his legal status. If ordered deported, he's to leave the

country immediately and not return without the prior permission of the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security. Again, I hope that that decision is not made and you're given an opportunity to stay in this country. You're to use your true name, not any aliases, special assessment of \$100.

MR. CAPIN: The government does object to the downward departure, and I think that the same sentence can be achieved in Zone G so far as Mr. Abad serves one month home detention. I don't think there's a requirement that he he serve it.

PROBATION OFFICER: Your Honor, home detention with electronic monitoring, we would not be able to have electronic monitoring, however if your Honor said home detention without electronic monitoring.

THE COURT: It would serve the same purpose?

MR. CAPIN: Yes.

THE COURT: Well, then for the sake of my statistics, this is not a departure, Maryellen. One month of home detention without electronic monitoring, and thank you very much. So this is three years' probation, one month of home detention without electronic monitoring. Probation will describe what that consists of. You have a right to appeal, and your lawyer will let you know what that entails. If there is anything else I can do, Mr. Rubin, you let me

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     know, if there's anything further I can do beyond this.
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                MR. RUBIN: Thank you very much.
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